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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10-11.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s) previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is attached.

1. (Amended) A method for producing a semiconductor device comprising:

forming a resist pattern to be used as a mask over a multi-layered film, wherein the multi-layered film includes a nitride etching stop film, a first organic insulating film, a first oxide etching stop film, a second organic insulating film, and a second oxide etching

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